Modified seed cotton cleaning equipment means incline, airline or impact seed cotton cleaners which have been modified to remove the smaller trash material normally present in raw (unprocessed) motes.

Person means an individual, corporation, partnership, association, or other business entity.

Raw (unprocessed) motes means lint cleaner waste resulting from the ginning process.

Reginned (processed) motes means semi-processed motes which have been further cleaned through one or more stages of modified seed cotton cleaning and one or more stages of lint cleaning equipment (sawtooth lint cleaning) by the gin, an intermediate processor or an end user, which are of a quality suitable, without further processing, for spinning, papermaking or other traditional manufacturing uses, and which have been rebaled, unless converted to an end use in a continuous manufacturing process by the end user who further cleaned the semi-processed motes.

Semi-processed motes means raw motes processed at the gin through one stage of modified seed cotton cleaning equipment, which have been baled, or moved directly into the reginning process.

 $[56\ FR\ 41434,\ Aug.\ 21,\ 1991,\ as\ amended\ at\ 56\ FR\ 59853,\ Nov.\ 26,\ 1991]$

§ 1427.53 Eligible upland cotton.

- (a) For the purposes of this subpart, eligible upland cotton is domestically produced 1991 or subsequent crop upland cotton which meets the requirements of paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section.
- (b) Eligible upland cotton must be either—
- (1) Baled lint which is not pledged as collateral for a price support loan;
- (2) Baled lint which has been pledged as collateral for a price support loan but which has been redeemed with cash;
- (3) Baled lint which has been classified by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service as Below Grade:
 - (4) Loose: or
 - (5) Semi-processed motes.
- (c) Eligible upland cotton must not be:
- (1) Cotton with respect to which a payment, in accordance with the provi-

sions of this subpart, has been made available:

- (2) Cotton which was obtained through the exchange of a commodity certificate for cotton which had been pledged as collateral for a price support loan or from CCC inventory in accordance with the provisions of part 1470 of this chapter;
- (3) Domestically produced cotton which has been exported and then reimported into the United States;
 - (4) Raw (unprocessed) motes;
 - (5) Reginned (processed) motes; or
 - (6) Textile mill wastes.

§1427.54 Eligible first handlers.

- (a) For the purposes of this subpart, the following persons shall be considered to be eligible first handlers:
- (1) A person regularly engaged in buying or selling eligible upland cotton who has entered into an agreement with CCC to participate in the first handler marketing certificate program;
- (2) A producer of upland cotton who sells directly to domestic textile mills or for export or who tenders upland cotton on a New York Futures Exchange number 2 contract and who has entered into an agreement with CCC to participate in the first handler marketing certificate program; and
- (3) A cooperative marketing association, approved in accordance with part 1425 of this chapter, that acquires the upland cotton production of its members and that has entered into an agreement with CCC to participate in the first handler marketing certificate program.
- (b) Applications for payment in accordance with this subpart must contain documentation required by the provisions of the Upland Cotton First Handler Agreement and instructions issued by CCC.

§ 1427.55 Upland cotton first handler agreement.

(a) Payments in accordance with this subpart shall be made available to eligible first handlers who have entered into an Upland Cotton First Handler Agreement with CCC and who have complied with the terms and conditions set forth in this subpart, the Upland Cotton First Handler Agreement and instructions issued by CCC.

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(b) Upland Cotton First Handler Agreements may be obtained from Cotton Branch, CRD, Kansas City Commodity Office, P.O. Box 419205, Kansas City, Missouri 64141–6205. In order to participate in the program authorized by this subpart, first handlers must execute the Upland Cotton First Handler Agreement and forward an original and two copies to KCCO.

§ 1427.56 Form of payment.

Payments in accordance with this subpart shall be made available in the form of commodity certificates issued in accordance with part 1470 of this chapter, or in cash, as determined and announced by CCC.

[57 FR 14329, Apr. 20, 1992]

§1427.57 Payment rate.

The payment rate for the purposes of calculating payments made available in accordance with this subpart shall be based upon the difference between the adjusted world price for upland cotton determined in accordance with §1427.25 and the loan repayment rate determined in accordance with §1427.19 and the Upland Cotton First Handler Agreement. A coarse count adjustment shall be applied in accordance with §1427.25(f) and the Upland Cotton First Handler Agreement. Payment rates for Below Grade, loose and semi-processed motes shall be based on a percentage of the basic rate for baled lint, exclusive of coarse count adjustment, as specified in the Upland Cotton First Handler Agreement.

§1427.58 Payment.

- (a) Payments in accordance with this subpart shall be determined by multiplying:
- (1) The payment rate, determined in accordance with §1427.57, by
- (2) The net weight (gross weight minus the weight of bagging and ties), determined as specified in the Upland Cotton First Handler Agreement, of eligible upland cotton that is purchased by an eligible first handler for either domestic consumption or export during a period in which a payment rate is established.
- (b) Eligible upland cotton will be considered to be purchased by the first

handler on the date title to the cotton passes to the first handler, as determined by CCC.

(c) Payments in accordance with this subpart shall be made available upon application for payment and submission of supporting documentation, as required by the provisions of the Upland Cotton First Handler Agreement and instructions issued by CCC.

Subpart C—Regulations for the Upland Cotton User Marketing Certificate Program.

SOURCE: 56 FR 41435, Aug. 21, 1991, unless otherwise noted.

§ 1427.100 Applicability.

- (a) The regulations in this subpart are applicable during the period beginning August 1, 1991, and ending July 31, 2003. These regulations set forth the terms and conditions under which the CCC shall make payments, in the form of commodity certificates or cash, to eligible domestic users and exporters of upland cotton who have entered into an Upland Cotton Domestic User/Exporter Agreement with CCC to participate in the upland cotton user marketing certificate program in accordance with Section 136(a) of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996.
- (b) During the period beginning August 1, 1991, and ending July 31, 2003, subject to the availability of funds, CCC shall issue marketing certificates or cash payments to domestic users and exporters in accordance with this subpart in a week following a consecutive 4-week period in which—
- (1) The Friday through Thursday average price quotation for the lowest-priced United States growth, as quoted for Middling one and three thirty-seconds inch (''M 1¾2 inch'') cotton, delivered C.I.F. (cost, insurance and freight) northern Europe, (''U.S. Northern Europe (USNE) price'') exceeds the Friday through Thursday average price quotation for the five lowest-priced growths, as quoted for M 1¾2 inch cotton, delivered C.I.F. northern Europe, (''Northern Europe (NE) price'') by more than 1.25 cents per pound; and